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In re Application of:

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For: A MULTI-SERVICE ARCHITECTURE

WITH ANY PORT ANY SERVICE (APAS) HARDWARE PLATFORM

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE REGARDING RESCISSION OF NONPUBLICATION REQUEST

Sir:

On September 9, 2002, applicants filed a Non-Publication Request Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i), which was erroneous given that the Request was inadvertently filed subsequent to foreign filing. Applicants on March 5, 2003 filed a Request Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) to Rescind the Request for Non-Publication Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b). On April 3, 2003, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office mailed a

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Notice Regarding Rescission of Non-Publication Request properly acknowledging rescission of the previously-filed request.

Applicants believe the proper procedures have been followed and that this application is still pending. Applicants note that on the website of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at http://www.uspto.gov/web/offices/dcom/olia/aipa/infoexch.htm, the following is stated in pertinent part in Section CQ of Questions and Answers with respect to the American Inventor's Protection Act of 1999 at question CQ6:

The statute only provides for that an application is regarded as abandoned when the applicant fails to notify the Office within 45 days of a subsequently filed application that is directed to the same subject as the invention of the US application in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires eighteen-month publication. 35 U.S.C. 122 (b)(2)(B)(iii) does not apply to the situation when the applicant made an improper certification subsequent to the foreign filing.

(Numbered paragraph 2) (emphasis added).

Applicants respectfully request that the previously filed Request Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) to Rescind the Request for Non-Publication Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) be treated as both a request to rescind under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(ii) and a notification of foreign filing.

Please notify the undersigned attorney for applicants if any further submissions are required in connection with this issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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